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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Applicant : James M. Kadushin et al.
Serial No. : 10/643,322
Filed : August 19, 2003
For : METHOD AND COMPOSITION FOR
FORMING A PROTECTIVE COATING ON
AN ASSAY SUBSTRATE AND
SUBSTRATE PRODUCED BY THE SAME
Examiner : Lyle Alexander
Art Unit : 1743
Confirmation No. : 3954
Attorney Docket No. : 374.1.015

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April 12, 2007

AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action of November 20, 2006. Applicants have filed concurrently herewith a Petition for a two month extension of time along with the requisite fee extending the date for response to April 20, 2007.

Please amend the application as follows: